MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP : കാളറാനിവാരണചികിത്സയിൽ ആയുർവേദവൈദ്യന്മാർക്കു പരിചയമില്ലെന്നും മരുന്നില്ലെന്നും സെക്രട്ടറിയും; ഉണ്ടെന്നു ഞാനും അഭിപ്രായപ്പെട്ടു. ഏതായാലും ആ കാര്യത്തെപ്പറ്റി അഭിപ്രായം പറയുന്നതിനു ഞങ്ങൾക്കു രണ്ടുപേർക്കും തുല്യയോഗ്യതയാണുള്ളതു്. ആയുർവേദവൈദ്യന്മാരുടെ അഭിപ്രായം അറിയാത്തടത്തോളംകാലം ഞാൻ അഭിപ്രായപ്പെട്ടതും ശരിയാണ്. പ്രധാന നഗരങ്ങളിൽ ആയുർവേദാശുപത്രികളും, പകൃതികേന്ദ്രങ്ങളും ആയുർവേദ ഗ്രാമ വൈദ്യശാലകളും ഉണ്ടാക്കുന്നതിൽ ഗവണ്മെന്റിന്റെ ശ്രദ്ധയെ ആകർഷിക്കണമെന്നേ ഞാൻ ഉദ്ദേശിച്ചിരുന്നൊള്ളൂ. ഉപക്ഷേപം പിൻവലിക്കുന്നു.

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER : I am instructed by the Surgeon-General and the Director of Public Health sitting behind me that that question is being considered.

PRESIDENT : Very well.

The motion was, by leave, withdrawn.

The question that a sum of Rs. 1,07,495 be granted under Demand XXV—Ayurveda—was then put and carried.

The grant was made.

## DEMANDS XXVI TO XXXVII.

The question that a sum of Rs. 3,43,705 be granted under Demand XXVI—Public Health and Sanitation—was put and carried.

The grant was made.

The question that a sum of Rs. 7,550 be granted under Demand XXVII—State Charities—was put and carried.

The grant was made.

The question that a sum of Rs. 7,000 be granted under Demand XXVIII—Currency and Mint—was put and carried.

The grant was made.

The question that a sum of Rs. 4,65,958 be granted under Demand XXIX—Stationery and Printing—was put and carried.

The grant was made.

The question that a sum of Rs. 1,67,694 be granted under Demand XXX—Miscellaneous Departments—was put and carried.

The grant was made.

The question that a sum of Rs. 1,69,469 be granted under Demand XXXI—Miscellaneous Charges—was put and carried.

The grant was made.

The question that a sum of Rs. 4,94,891 be granted under Demand XXXII—Anchal Department—was put and carried.

The grant was made.

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The question that a sum of Rs. 2,000 be granted under Demand XXXIII—Loans—Industrial Loans—was put and carried.

The grant was made.

The question that a sum of Rs. 1,10,000 be granted under Demand XXXIV—Other Loans and Advances—was put and carried.

The grant was made.

The question that a sum of Rs. 1,20,400 be granted under Demand XXXV—Debt Heads Advances—was put and carried.

The grant was made.

The question that a sum of Rs. 5,50,000 be granted under Demand XXXVI—Debt Heads—Coinage Account—was put and carried.

The grant was made.

The question that a sum of Rs. 1,00,000 be granted under Demand XXXVII—Contribution to Distress Relief Fund—was put and carried.

The grant was made.

The House adjourned for lunch at 2-12 P. M. and reassembled at 3-15 P. M. with the President in the Chair.

## LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS.

### THE TRAVANCORE ANCHAL ACT (Amendment) BILL.

**MR. K. G. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI:** Sir, I rise to introduce the Travancore Anchal Act (Amendment) Bill. The Bill, with the objects and reasons, has been published in the Gazette. I move the Bill be read in the Assembly.

Sir, the amendment concerns itself with the schedule under the Act. Under Section 8 of the Act, the schedule is part of the Act and can be amended only by an Act of the Legislature or by an Act of the Sovereign. This amendment is necessitated because of the present war conditions. Due to the rise in the cost of paper, printing and also of other materials, it has been found desirable to increase the rates a bit. I may state here, Sir, that the rates now prevailing in the 'sister' State of Cochin are higher than those prevailing here and the rates that are proposed to be imposed by the amendment. Of course, the rates in British India are very much higher. I want to make it absolutely clear that the Schedule only provides for a maximum beyond which the Government cannot increase the rates. It does not, therefore, follow that that maximum is going to be adopted, immediately. In fact, it was stated on the floor of the House, both by the Financial Secretary and by the Dewan-President, that the intention is not to fix the minimum as it is enacted in the schedule. With these words, therefore, I commend the Bill to the consideration of the House.

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